

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Major Brian C. Phinney's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Major Phinney has devoted over 22 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a Officer and leader in Field Artillery, including two deployments in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

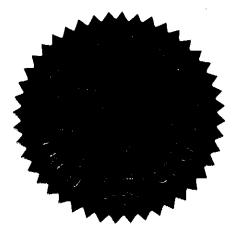
Whereas, Major Phinney continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Major Brian C. Phinney for over 22 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 15, 2012, as

MAJOR BRIAN C. PHINNEY DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State